

Minutes of the Health & Human Services Committee

Thursday, March 13, 2014

Chair Yerke called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m.

Present: Supervisors Gilbert Yerke, Duane Paulson, Jim Batzko, Bill Zaborowski, Janel Brandtjen, and Kathleen Cummings. Cummings left the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

Also Present: Chief of Staff Mark Mader, Health & Human Services Director Antwayne Robertson, Health & Human Services Deputy Director Laura Kleber, Epidemiologist/County Health Officer Ben Jones, Aging & Disabilities Resource Center (ADRC) Manager Luann Page, ADRC Coordinator Mary Smith, Community Health Education Coordinator Lee Clay, Intake & Support Services Manager Jesus Mireles, Children & Family Services Manager Lisa Roberts, and Write-in Candidate for County Board Supervisor Christine Howard. Recorded by Mary Pedersen, County Board Office.

Approve Minutes of 1-16-14

MOTION: Brandtjen moved, second by Zaborowski to approve the minutes of January 16. Motion carried 6-0.

Advisory Committee Reports

Yerke noted that Community Development Block Grant applications are due April 1.

Chair's Executive Committee Report from 1-20, 2-17 & 2-20

Yerke highlighted the following items from the last three Executive Committee meetings.

- Determined values for some foreclosed properties through the Treasurer's Office.
- Heard a presentation on the County Board's Twitter account.
- Heard an update on an economic development website currently being developed by the Workforce Development Center and County Board Chair Paul Decker.
- Approved various ordinances, resolutions and appointments.

Schedule Next Meeting Dates

- March 27 (Brandtjen absent) or April 8

Announcements

Robertson advised the Health & Human Services Board's annual public hearing will be held on April 3 at the Expo Center.

Meeting Approvals

MOTION: Cummings moved, second by Zaborowski to approve attendance for any committee members wanting to attend the Health & Human Services Board's public hearing on April 3 at the Expo Center. Motion carried 6-0.

Update on Public Health Activities

Jones referred to his handout which included statistics for Waukesha County on communicable diseases from 2004 through 2014, hospitalized flu cases from 2011 through 2014, and chronic diseases and risk factors for 2006, 2009 and 2012. Jones indicated communicable diseases have

been on an upward trend since 2006 with a large spike in 2009 due to H1N1 and a somewhat smaller spike in 2012 due to a pertussis outbreak. Since 2004, over 1,500 confirmed communicable diseases have been reported to the Public Health Division.

Jones indicated over the last four flu seasons (October through April) there was a large spike in hospitalized flu cases during the 2012-2013 flu season. Referring to this past flu season, Jones said the number of hospitalized flu cases was not particularly high but it has been in the media more due to a harsher H1N1 of those aged 18 to 49. Typically, the flu has the greatest affect on those older than 65 and the very young.

Referring to chronic disease risk factors, Jones advised there has been an increase in obesity and those not getting enough exercise. He noted there are about 300,000 adults in Waukesha County and over 60% are overweight or obese which puts them at risk for many chronic diseases. There were increases in diabetes and heart disease cases from 2006 to 2012 while cancer and asthma cases were down from 2009 to 2012. Jones said about 27,000 people in the county has heart disease and about 25,000 have asthma.

To answer Brandtjen's question, Jones confirmed sexually transmitted diseases are on the rise, particularly chlamydia, in all age categories.

Presentation on Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Evidence Based Education

Smith distributed information on current workshops and partnership hosts. She said the staff at the ADRC and partners, including Public Health, have done "tremendous" things in the county over the last few years, most of which is volunteer-based. About \$12,000 of federal Older Americans Act funding can be used by the division each year for health promotion.

Clay discussed the importance of evidence based health education and programs and workshops offered by the ADRC. These include Stepping On (reducing falls among seniors), Living Well (living well with chronic conditions), Healthy Living with Diabetes, and Healthy Eating for Successful Living. Partnerships include Three Pillars in Dousman, the Sussex Senior Community Center, Hampton Regency in Butler, Mukwonago Food Pantry, and New Berlin Public Library among others and several partnerships still in the development stage. Brochures for each program were distributed. Since October of 2012 there have been a total of 26, 6- or 7-week workshops that have been attended by more than 200 individuals.

Presentation on Aging & Disability Resource Center (ADRC) Outreach and Educational Activities

Page said staff will be focusing how to best make the public aware of the services they offer and determine the best way to spend those dollars earmarked for marketing. She noted the ADRC newsletter is back in production and should start again in April and the 2014 resource guide will be out in a couple weeks. Smith advised a marketing plan will be developed for 2014 and staff are looking for additional outreach opportunities in the communities. Staff are also looking at the possibility of having a satellite office at the Mukwonago Resource Center and maybe others in distant locations in the county. Staff, including the benefits specialists, have done presentations at churches, health fairs, safety fairs, etc. and will look into doing additional presentations as well. They have also gone to employers to talk to their employees about caregiving and aging parents. Smith said they are looking forward to expanding community outreach and are taking suggestions for civic groups or additional venues for which they could present.

Motion to Allow Secretary Kathleen M. Cummings to Approve the Final Set(s) of Committee Minutes on Behalf of the Committee

MOTION: Brandtjen moved, second by Batzko to allow Secretary Kathleen M. Cummings to approve the final set(s) of committee minutes on behalf of the Committee. Motion carried 6-0.

Presentation on Care4Kids

Mireles distributed information on the Care4Kids program. Roberts said this is a new Medicaid program that provides comprehensive health care for children entering out-of-home (foster) care which reflects the unique needs of these children. It provides children with primary care physicians who are trained in the needs of children in out-of-home care and also creates a team of professionals who coordinate care for the child.

Roberts referred to the PowerPoint handout which was developed by the State. The goal is to improve the quality, timeliness and access of health services. The current health care system for children out-of-home is flawed which she explained further as outlined in the handout. The initiative will begin in southeast Wisconsin in Kenosha, Milwaukee, Ozaukee, Racine, Washington, and Waukesha counties.

Roberts advised the State will contract with Medical Home Providers to assess, coordinate, arrange, and monitor services for these children. The initiative includes approximately 50% of all children in out-of-home placement. Specifically, as of August 2013 about 2,600 eligible children were in the southeastern area of about 5,500 eligible children statewide. Mireles noted this pilot program started January 1 of this year.

Mireles indicated the County has partnered with Children's Hospital, the selected vendor who will oversee the medical component. Roberts said Children's Hospital has a huge network of providers already identified and they are willing to work with pilot counties to add other providers that can meet the qualifications. We want to maintain services for children coming into the program who may already have good relationship with a provider. He noted that as of today, 11 Waukesha County children are in the program. Roberts said the remaining foster care children will be added to the program in July of this year. In addition, the benefit extends to children reunified with their parent(s) for one year. Staff will give an update on this program in January 2015.

Cummings left the meeting at 2:35 p.m.

Future Agenda Items

- Update on Non-Secure Juvenile Detention
- January 2015: Update on Care4Kids Program

MOTION: Paulson moved, second by Batzko to adjourn at 2:40 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen M. Cummings
Secretary